

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 9-10 without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend claims 11-12 and 14-17 as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) An optical pickup device comprising:
 - a light source for irradiating a light;
 - a pair of mounting frames which are opposed to each other interposing a space for passing the light from the light source;
 - an optical component in a polyhedral shape which is mounted on the mounting frames in a partially overlapped manner and adapted to polarize the light; and
 - three adhesive parts, wherein two of the adhesive parts fix one of the faces of the optical component, which are substantially parallel to an optical axis of the light, to one of the pair of mounting frames in two contact points, and one of the adhesive parts fixes the other face of the optical component, which are substantially parallel to an optical axis of the light, to the other mounting frame in one contact point.
2. (Original) The optical pickup device according to claim 1, wherein the two of the adhesive parts provided on the one of the mounting frames are arranged remote from each other so that an area of a triangle whose apexes are defined by the three adhesive parts is increased.
3. (Original) The optical pickup device according to claim 1, wherein a mounting face of the optical component to be attached to the mounting frames is formed in a rectangular shape, and the two of the adhesive parts are positioned near apexes of the mounting face.
4. (Original) The optical pickup device according to claim 1, wherein the other mounting frame has a shorter width than the one of the mounting frames.
5. (Previously Presented) An optical pickup device comprising:
 - a light source for irradiating a light;

a pair of mounting frames which are opposed to each other interposing a space for passing the light from the light source;

a half mirror in a shape of a rectangular parallelepiped thin plate which is mounted on the mounting frames in a partially overlapped manner and adapted to polarize the light; and

three adhesive parts, wherein two of the adhesive parts fix one of the opposed faces of the half mirror to one of the pair of mounting frames in two contact points, and one of the adhesive parts fixes the other face of the half mirror to the other mounting frame in one contact point.

6. (Previously Presented) The optical pickup device according to claim 5, wherein the two of the fixing parts provided on the one of the mounting frames are arranged remote from each other so that an area of a triangle whose apexes are defined by the three fixing parts may be increased.
7. (Original) The optical pickup device according to claim 5, wherein a mounting face of the half mirror to be attached to the mounting frames is formed in a rectangular shape, and two of the fixing parts are positioned near apexes of the mounting face.
8. (Original) The optical pickup device according to claim 5, wherein the other mounting frame has a shorter width than the one of the mounting frames.
- 9-10. (Cancelled)
11. (Currently Amended) The optical pickup device according to claim ~~[[10]]~~ 15, wherein said three contact points are arranged remote from each other.
12. (Currently Amended) The optical pickup device according to claim ~~[[10]]~~ 15, wherein said three contact points are positioned near corners of said half mirror.

13. (Previously Presented) An optical pickup device, comprising:
a mounting frame; and
a half mirror, wherein said half mirror is mounted onto said mounting frame with three contact points, wherein
an overlapping area between said mounting frame and said half mirror of one contact point has shorter area than that of two contact point side.
14. (Currently Amended) ~~[[The]]~~ An optical pickup device ~~according to claim 9,~~ comprising:
a mounting frame; and
a half mirror, wherein a mounting face of said half mirror is partially mounted onto a mounting face of said mounting frame with three adhesive contact points fixing two parallel side faces of said half mirror to the mounting face of said mounting frame, the adhesive contact points substantially constituting a plane in parallel with the mounting face of said half mirror,
wherein an overlapping area between said mounting frame and said half mirror of an one-contact-point side is shorter than that of a two-contact-point side.
15. (Currently Amended) ~~[[The]]~~ An optical pickup device ~~according to claim 10,~~ comprising:
a mounting frame; and
a half mirror, wherein a mounting face of said half mirror is partially mounted onto a mounting face of said mounting frame with three adhesive contact points fixing two parallel side faces of said half mirror to the mounting face of said mounting frame,
wherein an overlapping area between said mounting frame and said half mirror of an one-contact-point side is shorter than that of a two-contact-point side.
16. (Currently Amended) The optical pickup device according to claim ~~[[9]]~~ 14, wherein the mounting frame includes a pair of sub-frames separated from each other.

17. (Currently Amended) The optical pickup device according to claim ~~[[10]]~~ 15, wherein the mounting frame includes a pair of sub-frames separated from each other.
18. (Previously Presented) The optical pickup device according to claim 1, wherein the two of the adhesive parts provided on the one of the mounting frames are arranged remote from each other so that an area of a triangle whose apexes are defined by the three adhesive parts is maximized.
19. (Previously Presented) The optical pickup device according to claim 5, wherein the two of the fixing parts provided on the one of the mounting frames are arranged remote from each other so that an area of a triangle whose apexes are defined by the three fixing parts may be maximized.